

Crop Progress and Condition



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Hot and Dry Weather Helped Harvest Activities in Idaho

There were 6.9 days suitable for fieldwork, the same as reported last week. Idaho weather was very hot and dry, which depleted soil moisture levels in both topsoil and subsoil in Boundary County. Range conditions were poor, but typical for the season. Cereal harvest was underway in Jerome and Twin Falls Counties. The hot, dry weather continued to help crops and harvest activities. Range and non-irrigated pastures were cured dry.

Dry Weather throughout Oregon

There were 7.0 days suitable for fieldwork in Oregon last week, up from 6.9 days the previous week. In northwest Oregon, there was generally good weather for all crops. Due to the warm dry weather, irrigation was underway on some grass silage fields. The heat moderated, but irrigation management was tested on horticultural crops. In north central Oregon, it was extremely dry which was hard on pastures. Harvest looked good for most producers. It sounded like the crops were doing well and things were looking about average. There were complaints of an abundance of grasshoppers. In Umatilla and Wallowa Counties, winter wheat yields were average or above average. Heat was maturing spring crops rapidly. Winter canola yields were excellent. Spring mustard yields were respectable. In Klamath County, it was dry. Grazing ground was suffering. The second cutting of grass and alfalfa had been going on for weeks after a late start to first cutting. The alfalfa was healthy. Potatoes were looking healthy. Grain also looked healthy, and was heading out nicely. In southwest Oregon, irrigated orchards, vineyards, berry crops, and vegetables continued to look good. Raspberry harvest was complete. Blueberry crop harvest was into late season varieties with early and mid-season varieties complete. Peach harvest was going strong with very good yields reported. The prospects for apple and pear orchards continued to look very good. Pest pressure for soft fruit was heavy from the Spotted Wing Drosophila and timely sprays were required in cherry, and berry crops. Wine grape crops looked very good. The high temperatures caused some scorching to canopies of nursery crops and ornamentals. In southeast Oregon, triple digit temperatures arrived. Although normal for this time of year, the hot temperatures added stress to some of the crops. Early onion harvest was underway. The majority of winter wheat was harvested. Some creeks stopped flowing weeks ago.

Hot, Dry Weather Continued in Washington

There were 7.0 days suitable for fieldwork in Washington last week, the same number as reported the previous week. Some deterioration in pasture and range conditions was reported statewide. It was a good year for berries in the western part of the state. Cane berry harvest continued. Late Marionberries and raspberries started to slow down. Blueberries started to come on. Tree fruit continued to size up. Forage for grazing started to deteriorate due to lack of moisture. Barley plantings looked good and most were close to harvest. Farmers markets and U-pick experienced high volumes of pickers and buyers. Most U-pick operations picked out within 2-3 hours for the day. Hay producers finished their second cutting of alfalfa. Third cutting was coming along nicely. Upland pasture in Okanogan and Ferry Counties started to dry out in a typically manner for elevated forested environments. Daytime high temperatures remained in the upper 90 to lower 100s all week in Yakima County. Weekend highs dropped to the mid-90s. Blueberries, peaches, nectarines, and melons were harvested. Cherry harvest was nearly complete. Numerous vegetable crops were harvested and marketed, including tomatoes, tomatillos, cucumbers, and summer squashes. Sweet corn harvest picked up. Growers were cutting ground cover and placing bins out in Bartlett pear orchards. The grain harvest continued in very hot and dry conditions in southeastern Washington.

Pasture, Range, and Crop Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 08/02/20

Crop and State	Very poor Poor		Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Pasture and range					
ldaho	=	9	23	56	12
Oregon	25	45	18	12	-
Washington	19	14	33	31	3
Winter wheat					
ldaho	-	2	14	64	20
Oregon	6	12	35	33	14
Washington	-	2	22	50	26
Spring wheat					
Idaho	-	3	14	70	13
Oregon	13	16	31	35	5
Washington	-	6	12	63	19
Barley					
Idaho	-	1	10	79	10
Oregon	3	11	31	51	4
Washington	-	6	6	66	22
Oats					
Idaho	-	-	17	59	24
Oregon	1	1	22	69	7
Washington	-	1	5	72	22
Potatoes					
Idaho	-	-	2	65	33
Oregon	2	7	25	46	20
Washington	-	2	13	57	28
Corn					
Idaho	-	-	6	86	8
Oregon	2	3	12	60	23
Washington	2	5	19	56	18
Dry edible beans					
Idaho	-	6	19	69	6
Oregon	2	6	14	60	18
Washington	1	1	18	63	17
Onions					
Idaho	-	-	=	100	=
Oregon	1	5	14	66	14
Washington	-	3	16	49	32
Sugarbeets					
Idaho	-	-	1	80	19
Oregon	-	-	20	70	10
Washington	-	-	-	60	40
Dry edible peas					
Idaho	_	5	10	72	13
Washington	_	-	11	57	32
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⁻ Represents zero.

Soil Moisture Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 08/02/20

Item and State	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture Idaho Oregon Washington	11 36 36	34 37 33	55 27 29	- - 2
Subsoil moisture Idaho Oregon Washington		28 37 41	59 26 39	2 - 3

⁻ Represents zero.

Crop Progress — Idaho: Week Ending 08/02/20

	Percent completed			
Crop and activity	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat harvested	7	1	1	9
Winter wheat harvested	21	13	12	33
Barley harvested	10	2	4	12
Oats harvested	18	6	4	20
Potatoes harvested	3	1	-	1
Field corn silking	79	56	71	82
Field corn dough		4	15	26
Dry edible peas harvested	3	1	4	14
Alfalfa hay 2nd cutting	75	60	71	81
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting		2	5	16

⁻Represents zero.

Crop Progress — Oregon: Week Ending 08/02/20

	Percent completed			
Crop and activity	This	Last	Last	5 Year
	week	week	year	average
Winter wheat harvested	61	37	47	66
Spring wheat harvested	15	(NA)	16	34
Barley harvested	21	3	19	37
Oats harvested	19	11	14	25
Potatoes harvested	7	4	18	17
Field corn silking	44	31	(NA)	(NA)
Dry edible beans harvested	-	-	(NA)	(NA)
Dry edible peas harvested	81	73	67	(NA)
Onions harvested	3	-	(NA)	(NA)
Alfalfa hay 2nd cutting	85	59	84	88
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting		2	14	14

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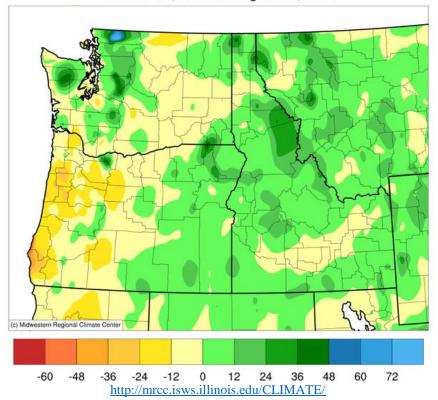
Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 08/02/20

	Percent completed			
Crop and activity	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat harvested Winter wheat harvested Barley harvested Oats harvested Potatoes harvested Field corn silking Field corn dough Dry edible peas harvested Onions harvested Alfalfa hay 2nd cutting Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting	9 33 12 11 14 60 9 28 4 91	7 19 10 2 7 46 8 20 (NA) 82	8 30 7 7 10 65 12 53 1 97	21 48 16 14 11 71 20 58 8 91 38

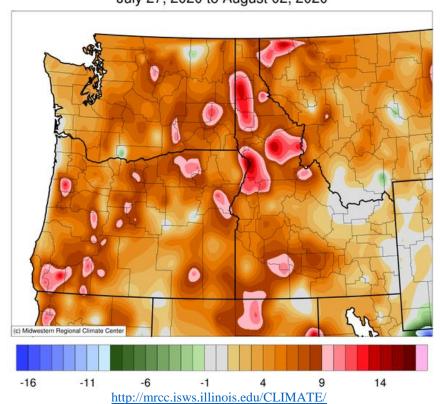
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Accumulated Precipitation (in): Departure from 1981-2010 Normals

October 01, 2019 to August 02, 2020



Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1981-2010 Normals
July 27, 2020 to August 02, 2020



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